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SUBJECT:- CONTROLLING TECHNOLOGY THROUGH PRODUCT CONTROLS
AND-EMBEDDED MICROPROCESSORS

REF: A. PARIS 4750 B. STATE 24456 C. PARIS 3630

1. US AGREES THAT MEETING IN APRIL TO DISCUSS ABOVE
SUBJECTS COULD BE PRODUCTIVE. IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A
LITTLE MORE TIME FOR PREPARATION, SUGGEST APRIL 25 INSTEAD
OF APRIL 3. IN SO DOING, USDEL SHOULD ASK THAT ITS PAPER
PER REF B BE ON AGENDA AS WELL AS VARIOUS DUTCH PAPERS.
USDEL SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT SUBMISSION OF OTHER MEMORANDA
BEFORE MEETING WOULD BE HELPFUL.

2. IN RESPONSE TO DUTCH REQUEST FOR US MEMORANDUM ON
VARIOUS ISSUES US POSED (PARA 4 REF C) USDEL MAY RESPOND
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AS FOLLOWS (ANSWERS NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH POINTS
LISTED IN PARA 1 E REF B):

1) AS EXPLAINED IN PARA B OF US PAPER, US REGULATIONS
PERMIT CONTROLLING TECHNOLOGY WITHOUT THE NECESSITY OF
RETAINING CONTROLS ON END PRODUCTS ONLY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

2) US WOULD BE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE IN COCOM

DEVELOPMENT OF MODEL LEGISLATION TO AUTHORIZE CONTROLS ON TECHNICAL DATA. FOR THIS PURPOSE US WOULD DRAW UPON ITS OWN LEGISLATIVE EXPERIENCE. (USDEL MAY WISH TO SUBMIT COPY OF EXPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT FOR INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE.)

3) US SHARES DUTCH VIEW THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO CONTROL MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT. KEY ITEMS OF SUCH EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE IDENTIFIED DURING THE LIST REVIEW. IN ADDITION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SENSITIVE ITEMS NEEDS TO BE RESTRICTED EVEN WHEN THE SAME TECHNOLOGY IS USED FOR THE PRODUCTION OF END ITEMS AT THE LESS STRATEGIC LOWER END OF THE PERFORMANCE SPECTRUM.

4) SORTING OUT THE EXTENT OF NEEDED CONTINUED EMBARGO COVERAGE SUBJECT TO ADMINISTRATIVE EXCEPTION NOTES CAN BEST BE DONE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE LIST REVIEW. THE US HOPES THAT IN PREPARING LIST REVIEW PROPOSALS OTHERS WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT TECHNOLOGY RAMIFICATIONS, INCLUDING POINTS (1) - (3) OF US PAPER.

3. US PLANS TO BE PREPARED AT APRIL MEETING WITH SOME TENTATIVE CONCEPTS FOR DEFINING CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH WOULD JUSTIFY DECONTROL OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT WITH EMBEDDED CONFIDENTIAL

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MICROPROCESSORS. DUTCH HAVE CORRECTLY NOTED THAT THIS ISSUE AFFECTS MANY ITEMS ON THE LIST. THEREFORE, PRELIMINARY EXPLORATION BEFORE LIST REVIEW PROPOSALS ARE DUE WILL BE HELPFUL. VANCE

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